

Claims 24, 25, 28, 29 and 31 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification. Although claims 24 and 28 have been cancelled and claim 31 amended, a "transparent" recitation has been added to independent claims 11, 15 and 19. At page 13, lines 5-8, the specification states "[b]y utilization of the time slot arrangement, the repeater unit, without the use of any duplexer, fits into the complete system while remaining transparent to both the standard base station and the subscriber". Accordingly, amended claims 11, 15 and 19 are supported by the specification.

With respect to claims 25 and 29, although Applicants believe these claims are supported, these claims have been amended. Support for the amended claim 25, at page 13, lines 16-18 which states "[i]n addition to extending the range of the system, the repeater unit serves to clean up the actual base station signal via equalization before retransmission to the subscriber".

Claim 11, 16, 17 and 19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as being indefinite. With respect to the recitation of "said radio transceiver" in claim 11, the claim actually recites "said radio transceives" (emphasis added) and is using "transceives" as a verb, not a noun. Since "said radio" has proper antecedent basis, Applicants request that the rejection with respect to this recitation be withdrawn. With respect to the 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph rejections made to the remainder of claim 11 and claims 16, 17 and 19, appropriate revisions have been made to the claims.

Claims 11, 13-23, 26, 27 and 30 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 4,644,534 (Sperlich) in view of U.S. Patent No.

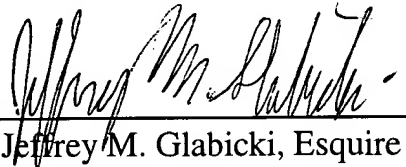
4,549,293 (Christian et al.) and were also rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 4,031,330 (Van Leeuwen) in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,549,293 (Christian et al.).

The independent claims (claims 11, 15 and 19) were revised to include the elements of previous claims 24, 28 and 31, respectively, which no prior art was cited as anticipating. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that all the claims are allowable.

For the above reasons, Applicants respectfully submit that all the claims are allowable. If the Examiner does not believe that claims are in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned. Reconsideration and entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

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